From: <u>Christopher Laney</u>

To: <u>Gary Moore/R6/USEPA/US@EPA</u>

Subject: FW: Status on Nation Oil Recovery Corporation

**Date:** 03/21/2012 01:56 PM

Thank you *very much* Gary for your help. I hope that Jonathan is able to create some dialogue with Richard Bergner that spurs a payment on the money owed to us before the account is whittled down or closed. If I don't hear from Richard or Jonathan by COB tomorrow, I'll try to open up communications again with Richard Bergner on Friday.

#### Thanks,

# Christopher Laney - Credit & Collections

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From: Moore.Gary@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Moore.Gary@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2012 11:54 AM

**To:** Christopher Laney

Subject: RE: Status on Nation Oil Recovery Corporation

## Christopher:

It is my understanding that it has already closed. I am talking with the contact (Jonathan Carroll). I will forward him this message so he may be able to talk with Bergner or address himself.

I have view access to that account and can see the money that is still in the account. I have noticed that there is approximately \$30,500 left in the account. I am not sure how much they owe you but I hope that you are able to collect. I will help you any way I can.

### Thanks,

Gary Moore Federal On-Scene Coordinator EPA Region 6

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From: Christopher Laney <<u>claney@usecology.com</u>>

To: Gary Moore/R6/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 03/21/2012 10:17 AM

Subject: RE: Status on Nation Oil Recovery Corporation

Thank you Gary for the update.

I had an additional question. Has the actual property changed ownership hands? If not, do you have an estimated close date?

We would like to receive future waste from the cleanup under the new ownership. However, we are still looking for the balance owed from the last shipments we received. The last communications with the balance owed on those shipments broke down with the Trustee, Attorney Richard Bergner last week. Until we can receive the amount owed for those loads, we won't be able to accept anymore waste into our Robstown facility.

In the agreed order you are listed as the On-Scene coordinator. Additionally the order notes than an escrow account was set up and a deposit of \$500,000 for the expenses related to the removal action. Is that account still open and are funds still available to be drawn off that account?

Thanks,

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From: Gary Moore [mailto:Moore.Gary@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 3:04 PM

**To:** Christopher Laney

Subject: Re: Status on Nation Oil Recovery Corporation

## Christopher:

The site is going through a transition with a new owner. The new owner is Lazarus Energy and Blue Dolphin Energy. It appears that they will be using the same contractor, TRC, to manage site operations. I am waiting on a schedule from them.

Activities remaining include:

- 1. Removal of tank roofing structures to access the remaining K169 sludge in several tanks;
- 2. Treat and discharge contaminated rainwater;
- 3. Inspect tanks following removal of materials to determine if the tanks and tank bottoms have been compromised resulting in release to the soils below the tanks and removal and disposal of resultant contaminated soils.

I don't believe there is a hugh amount of work remaining on the removal actions as it relates to off-site disposal. Additionally, an RI/FS is being conducted as well and it is yet to be determined if additional cleanup actions will be required.

I hope this helps. I can be reached at my cell phone below.

#### **Thanks**

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From: Christopher Laney <<u>claney@usecology.com</u>>

To: Gary Moore/R6/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 03/20/2012 03:39 PM

Subject: Status on Nation Oil Recovery Corporation

#### Good afternoon Gary,

I just left you a voice mail @ 214-665-6609. I was hoping that you might be able to provide a project update on the removal work at the Falcon Refinery Superfund Site, in Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas. US Ecology Texas, in Robstown, TX is where a number of loads were shipped. I am wondering if there is any future loads coming to our site. Based on the Agreed Order you are the On-Scene EPA Coordinator, which is the reason I thought I would reach out to you. If you could please give me a call or let me know when is a good time to reach out to you, and I can call you at your convenience.

Thanks,

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